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Smethport, Pa., Sept. 20, 1889.

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

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2d Ward	do	George H. Lovell,	
3d do	do	W. W. Murray,	
4th do	do	M. J. Harlen,	
5th do	do	A. A. Wright,	
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Bradford, 1st	1st Dist.	Lindsey City,	J. S. Merritt,
2d	do	Bradford,	Smith Hollenbeck,
3d	do	Bradford,	C. H. Robards,
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Hamilton,	1st Dist.	Lantz's,	M. M. Mason,
2d	do	Lantz's,	H. H. Mason,
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Otto,		Mortimer,	Smith Hollenbeck,
Port Allegany,	1st Dist.	Port Allegany,	C. H. Robards,
2d	do	Port Allegany,	D. D. Jones,
Sergeant,		Sergeantsville,	C. C. Mason,
Smethport,	1st Dist.	Smethport,	M. M. Mason,
2d	do	Smethport,	H. H. Mason,
Wetmore,		Wetmore,	Wm. Lobdell,

THOUSANDS of citizens of Swedish nativity celebrated in a fitting manner in Jamestown, on Saturday last, the anniversary of the first Swedish settlement in America. McKean, Elk and Warren counties were largely represented.

AT 8 o'clock on the night that Congressman Cox died he was to have addressed the Jeffersonian Association on the "Wonderland," but instead of that, at half past eight, by special car ed the Bonanza of The Wonder land from which no traveler returns. —*Pittsburg Dispatch Times.*

COMMANDER-in-chief Alger of the G. A. R. has announced the following staff appointments, adjutant general, George H. Hopkins, of Detroit, Mich.; quartermaster general, John Taylor, of Philadelphia, Pa.; inspector general, Lewis E. Gerlach, Troy, N. Y.; judge advocate general, D. R. Austin, of Toledo, O.

CORPORAL TANNER resigned last week because the President desired his resignation. Congressman McKinley says: "Tanner's honesty of purpose and sincerity on behalf of pensioners are unquestioned, but his indiscretions of speech constantly embarrassed the Administration, and becoming worse instead of better, no alternative was left the President but to do as he did." All of which is very true.

THE Harrisburg *Patriot* calls Vic Piollett, the old Democratic leader of Bradford County, a demagogue. That is what we used to call him, but now we think he is a pretty level headed old gentleman. The reason for this all round change in sentiment is that Mr. Piollett, who is a very extensive farmer, is quite emphatic now a days in the declaration that farmers need protection as well as manufacturers. So we believe; but this idea comes in conflict with the *Patriot's* ideas of political economy.

IN speaking of the death of Congressman Cox a friend writes us from Wash ington as follows: "The death of Hon. S. S. Cox is sincerely regretted here, where everybody was his friend. It is doubtful whether there is another man in public life who can claim the large number of personal friends that Mr. Cox had. If he had an enemy the fact is not known in Washington. He was a democrat, but he never allowed this politics to swerve him from what he thought was right, a fact fully established by his patriotic action in voting for abolishing the four new states the first time the House during the last session of Congress.

A SATISFACTORY GROWTH.

A few days since a distinguished gentleman of an adjoining county said to the writer of this, that if McKean county showed as much population in 1890 as it did in 1880 it ought to be satisfactory to the people of the county. He seemed to think, owing to the decline in oil production, that there would be a falling off from the enumeration of the last census which gave the county a population of 42,865. We answered from the gentleman's views and expressed the opinion that the enumeration of next year would show a population of not less than 45,000. Since the conversation referred to was had the registration of the county for this year has been filed in the Commissioner's office and we have taken the trouble to foot up the several registration books, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the population of the county was increasing or decreasing. In 1887 we published the footings of that year's registration and we now republish them with the footings of this year, so that any person may make their own calculations and draw their own conclusions. It will be seen that of the 24 districts ten have lost ground and one—2nd district of Kendall borough—holds its own. The remaining twenty-three have increased and some of them handsomely. The city of Bradford's registration within the two years shows an increase of nearly 500 which would indicate an increase in population of 2000 or more, while the township of Corydon has nearly trebled her population during that time. Kane borough and the southern and western townships show remarkable gains, and the townships of Ceres, Eldred, Keating, Liberty, Norwich and Port Allegany borough, on the eastern side of the county are rapidly increasing in population. The increase in the entire county is nearly a thousand making the total footings 10,226 as against 9,280 two years ago. Estimating the population as four and a half to a voter and there is in the county to-day 10,167 inhabitants. The registration of last year was not published therefore we compare with that of two years ago as follows:

		1887	1889
Allegany township		263	240
Bradford, 1st ward	1st dist.	195	234
do do	2d "	240	292
do 2d ward		467	494
do 3d "		524	595
do 4th "		606	620
do 5th "		277	338
do township	1st dist	403	340
do do	2d "	397	250
Ceres township		295	326
Corydon "		45	120
Eldred borough		226	227
" township		405	454
Foster "	1st dist	163	374
" "	2d "	355	308
Hamilton "	1st "	260	161
" "	2d "	171	312
Hamlin "		211	315
Kane borough		347	453
Keating township	1st dist.	116	182
" "	2d "	315	155
" "	3d "	187	187
Kendall borough	1st dist.	246	221
" "	2d "	277	277
Lafayette town'p.	1st dist.	351	126
" "	2d "	353	351
Liberty "		181	233
Norwich "	1st dist		441
Otto "	2d "	719	285
Duke Centre bor.	1st "	125	197
" "	2d "	286	277
Sergeant township		281	341
Smethport borough			
Wetmore township		9280	10226

RECTIFYING A MISTAKE.

Rectifying a mistake is not always as easy as it would have been to avoid making it. Putting Corporal Tanner out of the Pension Bureau is a case in point. The Corporal's appointment was peculiarly the President's own act. The selection was supposed to be a good one at the time. Experience soon prevented the matter in a qualified sense. There could be no doubting his honesty in office has not been challenged, and his patriotism is bullet-proof. But his wisdom has been disproved. His want of that quality made a change necessary. Tanner would be a good Commissioner if the Government had no use for the money flowing into its coffers but to pay it out in the shortest time for pensions. With that single idea to subserve, selecting the Corporal for Pension Commissioner would have been a wise act. But the Government has many interests to care for, and there are many ways for the money. The responsibility of whatever is done will always rest upon the administration, and the President will be the first to suffer from any mistake or want of wisdom. In the Corporal there was a conspicuous lack of the quality of wisdom, and the President early felt that he was liable to be over hauled. Members of the administration keenly felt this and did not hesitate to tell the President that in appointing the Corporal he had made a mistake and they advised him to make haste to rectify it. There is no better reason for questioning the Corporal's partnership than his honesty. All that there was wanting with him was that aptitude in the management of public affairs that makes an official a safe custodian of power. That's all that was the matter with the Corporal. This defect in him can hardly be denied by his most devoted friends, who will do him a service by admitting it and helping the President to smooth the momentarily troubled waters. The President has done well to counsel with his advisers. He would do well to do it freely and often. The lack of the wisdom which made Tanner's resignation necessary is not a failing in him alone. Another failing of the Corporal's was a disinclination to take advice and too great a disposition to have his own way regardless of the wishes and rights of others in that respect he was not peculiar in office. Independence, as his case has proved, is an admirable trait, but obstinacy is a dangerous and self destroying quality. In this respect the Corporal's case teaches a lesson by which others might profit.

The Corporal's case has its instruction for all concerned. No serious consequences are likely to flow from it As good a man as the Corporal will succeed him. That he will be a wiser official is hardly to be questioned, otherwise the lessons of experience would be of no value. It is a safe deduction that the President and the Corporal, who part as friends, feel themselves instructed by this experience. —*Pittsburgh Times.*

A GEDDIA WONDER.

A Boston theatrical manager has found a real wonder in Mrs. Abbott, of Georgia. She is girlish in appearance and very much like what she is represented to be—a country bred young woman. She cannot weigh more than 90 pounds is small of bone and rather good looking. "She is little, but Oh My!" She doesn't look strong enough to lift a plate of ice cream, but she lifted easily eight heavy men, piled upon each other in two ordinary chairs. She held a billiard cue in her extended hands, and three strong men, grasping the cue firmly, could not push her back one inch or could not push her balance, although throw her off her balance, although she stood on one foot. With her finger-tips touching the proscenium wall, she invited half a dozen men, one at a time, to push her from the side of the building, and against the side of the building, and against the side of the building, and against

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Smethport, Pa., Sept. 20, 1889.

Local Editor.

LOCAL AND HUMOROUS.

The Buffalo oyster is once more in ...

...ber term of court convenes Oc...

Winter coats have been a necessity ...

...ublican has resumed the place of local mail...

...ard of trade is talked of. Hope ...ll materialize.

...s. W. A. Young of Eldred was in ... Wednesday.

...e lights are badly needed at the ... street bridge.

The opening of the chestnut burr ... make the boys kid happy.

...rs. and Mrs. A. A. Matthews of Bell's ... visitors in town this week.

...ybody over 1 year in this town are ... although they are decreasing.

...David E. Bennett of Mechanicsville ... town last Tuesday for Rochester.

...Tanney Eisenhart of Portville, is ... of Miss Flora Parsons of Walker ...

The recent rains have been of incalculable benefit in preventing a water famine.

Mrs. W. J. Chamberlain of Ormsby, is a ... the residence of L. Rogers on ... street.

Miss Lydia Gaetlin, a pupil of this place, ... examination, is teaching from an at... district.

Captain Chapman of Bradford, was attending to legal business in the county ... the week.

J. R. Cutler, of the firm of Gilbert, ... and Lyon, was registered at the ... last Sunday.

William Olcott of Salamanca, formerly of Smethport, was observed in town on Wednesday.

Miss Emma Robinson of Parker's Landing, Pa., is the guest of Miss Anna Wilcox of Main street.

The "New York Theatre Company" will be the next attraction at the opera house on the 26th inst.

A local Smethport man holding ticket No. 111, drew $300.00 in the Louisiana State Lottery recently.

Your attention is directed to winter dress goods, etc., in the advertisement of Mrs. T. D. Nash, elsewhere.

Miss Eva Callard of Randolph who has been visiting friends in town, returned to her home last Wednesday.

Sheriff sale notices will be found in this issue. Sheriff Clarke keeps us busy this week. Three sales a day here.

Mechanicsburg has a very metropolitan name. It is termed "Brooklyn" by the people residing south of Marvin creek.

L. N. Taylor, the genial proprietor of the Grand Central Hotel at Smethport, was in town on Friday last.—*Kane Leader.*

Fred W. Brownell is representing Smethport Hose No. 1, at the firemen's convention, which is being held this week at Carlisle.

County Commissioners McKean, Nelson and Dunkirk and Clerk Carver will attend the Commissioners' Convention at Allegheny next week.

The contract for the building of the third Odd Fellows Hall, which will be a three story brick structure, has been given to Collin Chamberlain & Son, of Olean.

Miss Ella Wells of Mechanicsburg, who has been very low with typhoid fever with some weeks past, we are pleased to say is gradually recovering.

The L. A. S. of the M. E. church will hold a dime social at the residence of D. L. Forsyth this (Friday) evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

The poster recently turned out of the Miner office pub rooms, advertising the first annual fair and dance of the Smethport Band has received many compliments.

A handsome Presbyterian chapel is now being built at Mt. Jewett. Mr. A. O. Erikson of Kane, is superintending the work which is a guarantee that it will be well done.

Ed Nelson, recently employed at M. Ray's barber shop, disappeared on Saturday night last, leaving his effects at his employer's. Nothing has been heard of him since.

Photographer Hoffman returned yesterday from his trip to Gettysburg. He says the inclement weather interfered with his plans although his sojourn was a partial success.

Two enormous tomatoes recently taken from Judge Hamlin's garden in the rear of his residence on Main street, weighed precisely three pounds. They were as good as they were large.

It is hoped that the auditorium of 1890 will not be like unto its predecessor of 1889 in that with the exception of three days, it rained constantly from the latter part of August to the holidays.

Constable Burlingame has removed his family from the Kling building on Main street, to his residence in Mechanicsburg. The duties of the office of High Constable will be attended to just the same.

The University of Ind. Newsman, Esq., of Buffalo, is fully appreciated by the Smethport Band. After winning the $50 prize chance off at the fair last week he returned the same to the treasurer of the organization.

—Postmaster Kerr's mail boxes arrived on Wednesday night and were immediately placed in use. Greely's grocery store, east of the Chautauqua house. Mr. Kerr informs us that he will remove the postoffice on October 1st.

—This is the time of year that the mosses differ from the lofty deep and the city hunter leaves the suppositional farm home with its delights, but peaceful charms, to once more breast the tide of the restless sea of humanity.

—Prof. the non. of Prothonotary Mc-Elroy of this place, passed a very creditable examination preparatory to his entering the Pennsylvania State College. It reflects great credit upon the "help of the old black" who is barely to his teens, and also upon his tutor, the principal of our high school.

—Our stalwart democratic friend Gilbert Lyman has lately moved the old Rush residence adjoining Gifford's mill, across the turbulent waters of Marvin creek. "Gil" says his next contract will probably be for the removal of the court house from Smethport to Bradford.

—Mr. F. Jacquet died at his home in East Smethport on 11th inst., after a painful illness of over five years. The deceased who was born in Canada, was 63 years of age, and leaves a wife and five children to mourn his loss. The remains were interred in Rose Hill cemetery on the following Friday.

—Deputy Sheriff Grubb is something of a fisherman. He caught two enormous pickerel in the Allegheny river at Lanrabee last Tuesday, their combined weight being 11 pounds. They were indeed substantial fish, but it will be remembered that Walter is a substantial man, and he probably used a great big grab for bate.

—Olean is doing a great deal of bragging of late, about her industries, attributing her prosperity to the board of trade. The egotism of the papers published in the "city of natural advantages" will be unbearable after Eldred has been moved there altogether. But where will the inflated town be when the hemlock timber and oil of McKean county is gone?

—The third annual meeting of the Allegheny River Baptist Association was held in the Baptist church in this place, on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, a number of prominent clerical gentlemen of that denomination being present. Among others was noticed Rev. A. D. Heath of Coudersport, Rev. C. H. Cutterhill of Eldred, Rev. S. H. Hovey of Austin Creek, and Rev. D. H. Dennison of Kinzua.

—An item in our last issue gave Silkaney, Bell & Co. the full credit of building the new sidewalk from the Potato creek bridge to East Smethport to the W. N. Y. & P. depot. Neighbor Judge Ford, who is a property owner in that locality, informs us that although the firm mentioned may have been interested to some extent in the walk, its himself contributed largely toward it, as did also the Exchange company, Lewis Eurk and others.

—Our prophecies last spring to the effect that an epidemic would visit Smethport unless the sewerage system was reconstructed have been fulfilled. There are a number of cases of typhoid fever at present and considerable illness has prevailed during the past summer. A citizen of this town has something to say on the matter in another column. His views are in harmony with ours, although we are not responsible for any allusion of a personal character in the article.

—The fair and dance held last week at the opera house, by the band boys, was a social and financial success. The hall was elaborately decorated, the music bewitching, and the refreshments delicious. Fifty dollars in cash, a set of decorated dishes, and a handsome photograph album were cleaned off. The first prize was captured by J. J. Newman, Esq., of Buffalo, the second by Ed Overgrifter of this place, and the third by a fortunate gentleman of Ormsby. Contrary to anticipations $200, clear, was realized from the three nights' entertainment. The money will probably go toward the salary of a musical instructor. The boys extend their thanks to the people of Smethport for the interest manifested on the occasion.

—Congressman Elijah Morse of Boston, said, in criticising John L. Sullivan's congressional ambitions: "Lord Macaulay, the English historian, many years ago denounced a republican form of government, or a government of the people, and predicted that when New England became as thickly settled as old England, our government would prove a failure, the criminal classes would be in a majority and would elect the officers of the government, and when that day came the republic would go down into blackness, darkness and shame, and our form of government would give place to another. The election of such a man as John L. Sullivan to the Congress of the United States will indicate that the awful day predicted by Macaulay is at hand."

—The following hint from "Night Witchery," written by W. H. Gibson in the last Scribner's magazine, may be interesting to sportsmen: "Think you that the woodpecker in its snug cave aloft, or the squirrel in the hollow rail, has heard your stealthy footfall through its doorway? No, the tidings have come through the turf and root and trunk, vibrated into their being. If you would know the haunting tenants of the silent hollow beech by your side in the dark woods, lay your ear closely against its bark, when, if the trunk be roughly struck, the slightest movement within its heart is betrayed in the vibrant wood and conducted to your ear. More than once in my strolls have I thus listened beneath the flicker's hole, and heard the clinging claws appurtenant, and heard the clinging claws appurtenant, and heard the clinging claws appurtenant

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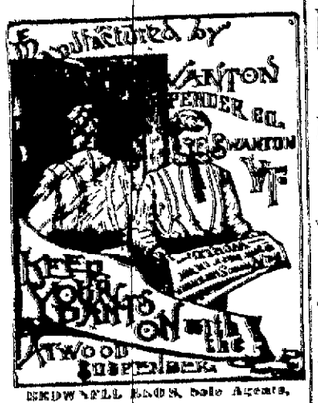

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By JUNIUS HENRI BROWNE.

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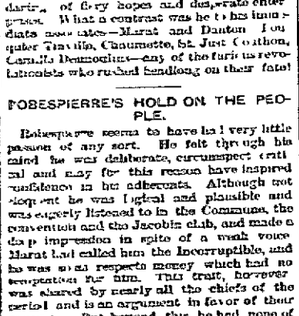
IX.

It is hard to understand with out a good deal of investigation, who a man like Robespierre of whose antecedents and peculiarities we have spoken in the last article should have gained so commanding a place and so preponderating an influence during the first French Revolution. He had not the temperament or the character to rise to the top in such an upheaval. He was singularly different from the other leaders, who were noted for will and force, full of passion and daring, of fiery hopes and desperate enterprise. What a contrast was he to his immediate associates—Marat and Danton for quiber Tinville, Chaumette, St. Just Couthon, Camille Desmoulins—any of the furious revolutionists who rushed headlong on their fate!



DANTON ON TRIAL.

ROBESPIERRE'S HOLD ON THE PEOPLE.

Robespierre seems to have had very little passion of any sort. He felt through his mind he was deliberate, circumspect critical and easy for this reason have inspired confidence in his adherents. Although not eloquent he was logical and plausible and was eagerly listened to in the Commune, the convention and the Jacobin club, and made a deep impression in spite of a weak voice Marat had called him the incorruptible, and he was in no respects money which had no temptation for him. This fact, however was shared by nearly all the chiefs of the period and is an argument in favor of their sincerity But beyond this, he had none of the qualities, personal or mental, that command loyalty to leaders. He was small in stature rather insignificant in appearance, by no means magnetic his complexion sickly pale his manner nervous—his eyes continually blinked—reserved even to shyness and suggestive of snake on

Always extremely poor his dress was scrupulously neat, and his bearing academic The demagogue was never denoted by his behavior and he is said to have been a man to excite belief in his absolute honesty in any company free from prejudice They who count him a conscientious patriot—and there are such—maintain that he was a constitutional lover of peace and law, but that perceiving the Revolution must be purified by the sacrifice of many lives and extreme measures, he did not hesitate to demand the sacrifice for the ultimate good it would produce He was convinced that he knew better than any of his contemporaries the proper course to pursue that he alone could solidify the results of the national insurrection and render them permanently remunerative. He sent men to the scaffold wholly for what he thought to be the public good. As a man he is pitied the man as a patriot, he considered their execution a duty and therefore shrank not from it however his feelings might recoil.

That he was very astute, and comprehended the nature of his own countrymen, there is hardly any doubt. It is marvelous that he could have controlled the revolutionary government for the space of the most turbulent and terrible years he was to hurry without losing himself in any true sense a man of action. His intellect must have been extraordinary superior so far as direction of the masses was concerned. He was apparently Mirabeau perhaps of second. This view difficult as it is to assent extinguishes the long prevalent opinion of the blood thirstiness, the pitiless demon, ascribed him who has been charged with sending at and substantially reaching the depth of France

His opposite as to Danton who shared his power and to Danton's adherents including Camille Desmoulins all representing moderation and advocating clemency is generally attributed to fear of them as rivals and determination to get rid of them. One reason of his disapproval and distrust of Danton is that Danton was what is termed an atheist,

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as were the bulk of the Hébertists, already executed. Their substitution of reason for the theology deity had offended Robespierre, not probably because he had any religious scruples, but because he thought the common people whom he was always courting would be alienated by any system of rationalism He may have been a kind of theist but whether such or not, he evidently esteemed it politic to assume to be. Therefore he used his secret influence, nearly controlling the committee of public safety against Danton and his confederates, and his influence was fatal. He is said afterwards to have opposed their arrest. This inconsistency in hesitation to take a decided course was characteristic of him, but he supported by a speech in the convention St. Just's motion for their arrest, which sealed their fate.

CAREER OF DANTON.

Danton was perhaps the foremost figure of the Revolution proper, the legitimate successor of Mirabeau, whom in many respects he resembled. He has been greatly traduced, portrayed as an arrant demagogue, a very monster Every leader during that social and political convulsion must, as has been said, have had his share of demagogism. Calm statesmanship was impossible at such a time when the people were in the ascendant, wild with fury, averse to, if not incapable of, self-restraint. The leaders dealt with the reaction. The leaders dealt with the material they had, and in a way to render it serviceable to establishing the republic. Danton has of late years been rescued from much of the odium cast upon him. A man of violent passions, of extreme audacity, of remarkable resources, of exceptional self confidence, he was sure to go to great lengths for whatever had mastered his imagination and conviction.

From his early years he was an enthusiast in behalf of freedom, detesting the very name of prince or king In every sense he was an aggressive, uncompromising democrat, eager to dare anything for the cause he had been born to espouse. No man of his age was better fitted by nature and temperament for a revolutionary career, and circumstances co-operated with and furthered his destiny A student with small means and smallpox completed scarred, ugly face and "Nature," he said, "has moulded it into the massive figure and the harsh expression of liberty"

The [illegible] of his illiteracy are untrue. He had a fair classic education, was a diligent reader, especially of pure literature, knew many languages—very unusual for a Frenchman—and wrote spirited verses. At the commencement of the Revolution he was a lawyer in Paris, being then but 29. Himself and he became acquainted, and the former at once discovered his extraordinary talents and immense force. So far from being a savage, as he has been called, he had a genius for friendship, a warm heart and winning manners, with a bitter prejudice against rank and inherited authority While Mirabeau managed the constituent assembly and the middle classes, Danton appealed to the proletariat, and won them entirely by his sympathy, frankness and independence

Chosen president of the Cordeliers, he ruled it at once by his fervid eloquence, his fierce and fiery attacks on the aristocracy He looked like a tribune of the people, with his tall, brawny form, his stern, strong, fearless face, his black, frowning brows. His voice was so deep, loud, penetrating that it could be distinctly heard throughout the largest gathering, which was of immense advantage to him in the popular assemblies in command his attention and gaining influence.

After the flight of the king Danton became a great political power He was largely instrumental in inducing the convention (July 17, 1791) in the Champ de Mars to sign a petition for the deposal of Louis. Unlike most of his associates, he accomplished his results by speech, not by writing and the tradition is that he could mold the masses as he chose Hence he is charged with crimes of which he was not guilty The Septembrisers massacres are examples. His bitterest opponents deny his complicity, asserting that the mob committed them, being in their fury beyond control. Who can tell, especially at this late day, the responsibility of the Frenchman had invaded France, and taken Verdun Danton mounted the tribune and delivered to the legislative assembly notably the most effective speech of the Revolution, closing with the famous words, "To overcome the enemy, to destroy him, what do we need? Audacity, still audacity, audacity always."

He was bent on the execution of the king, considering it essential as a revolutionary measure. One of his friends having entered into an argument to show that the convention could not legally try Louis, he responded, "You may be right, but we can kill him, and we will"—an illustration of his desperate decision He instituted, March 10, 1793, the extraordinary criminal tribunal, privileged to make whatever arrests it pleased, and from whose decisions there was no appeal. This was done in excess of patriotism, under conviction that the success of the Revolution demanded it. Most of the proceedings he urged so zealously were to this end, for which he was violent, thereby gaining a reputation for cruelty he did not merit. Marat, his colleague, constitutionally suspicious, often suspected him, and drove him to lengths he would not otherwise have gone. He contributed to the overthrow of the Girondists, but would gladly have saved them, had it been in his power. Afterward he believed in moderation like guillotine was repugnant to him! which deprived him of the support of the Mountain the ultra party of the Jacobins, who concentrated on Robespierre Instances of a policy more and more humane lessened his influence among the radicals and raised Robespierre to supremacy

DANTON ON TRIAL.

In January 1793, he was conscious of an approaching crisis and that his enemies were trying to destroy him It was evident that the dictator as he was styled had become intrenched and was conspiring against him Nowhere two men could have been more different, Robespierre cold, crafty furtive resolute, vigilant, deadly Danton hot, open, impetuous, confident, daring defiant. An attempt was made to reconcile the two but they were irreconcilable Robespierre fears Danton, who despises him. To the giant the Revolution has grown an imposture, a most tragic bloody imposture and he affects reality alone. To the pigmy it promises autocracy, power unquestioned hence it shall still riot in butchery

Danton was a fiery lover as well as hater He had married at 27 Gabrielle Charpentier daughter of a prosperous superintendent of farms. They loved one another devotedly not at all as the French, when wedded, are commonly supposed to feel toward one another She was, in contrast to him, a sound Catholic—their attraction may have lain in opposites but he was a hero to her before he had won recognition. He often said that she was his discoverer While he was on a mission to Belgium she died leaving two children. It was a crushing blow to him, and returning to Paris, he ordered her grave to be opened that he might see and embrace again the woman he had adored. Gabrielle had selected for him Louise Gely, a fair girl, in hope of weaning him from the Revolution to be a mother to her children pious like herself and of a royalist family Some months later he wedded her, still mourning his great loss, and went through, for her sake with the religious ceremony which he regarded as absurd.

Danton's friends were greatly alarmed now and the last. They urged him to fly, his wife joining them in entreaty Where shall I go?" he said If free France expel me, other lands will have only dungeons for me. And one does not carry his country on the soles of his shoes." Even the arrest of his intimate Herault d'Echelles, also on the committee of public safety moved him not The busy ax distressed him he seemed to be in an apathy of horror "I would rather be guillotined than guillotine But they dare not touch me. I am the arch that sustains the entire structure They know that its fall will crush them" He was over confident his was the courage of rashness. The night of March 30 1794, he was arrested with Camille Desmoulins and others arrest, of course meaning death. No one knew this better than Danton, no one could look more calmly at the end though he had much to live for He was young—but 34—gifted, a husband and a father with a host of friends, the reassurance of fame and a beloved republic which he more than any other man had created.

HIS LAST HOURS

At the spurious trial he bears himself grandly before the very tribunal he had established to give months before. He has act he publicly begs pardon of God and man, his object having been as he said, to prevent another September massacre and the unlooming of a scourge upon mankind. "These Cains know absolutely nothing about government or governing I leave everything in frightful disorder"

Fouquier Tinville asks, according to form, his name and place of abode The response is, "My name is Danton, tolerably well known in the Revolution. My abode will soon be in Annihilation, but my name will live in the Pantheon of history" He shows like an angry lion before his oppressors he shakes his mane, his eyes flash with indignation and defiance He demands that the members of the committee appear as witnesses, if they dare, he will cover them with shame. "I will expose the three shallow scoundrels, Leton Couthon, St. Just who fawn on Robespierre and lead him to his doom. I will plunge them into the empty abyss out of which they should never have arisen."

The president rings his bell to enforce order and insists on it loudly "What is it to you" exclaims the giant, "how I defend myself? The right of sentence is yours, I do not interfere with it. The voice of a man speaking for his honor and his life may well drown the jingling of your bell." He cannot be suppressed, the galleries murmur forebodingly If he had been permitted to defend himself at length the commons might have insisted on his release, might have overthrown the triumvirate then, as they did, through their representatives, a few months later

Danton is the foremost orator as he is the Titan of the Revolution. His arrest creates profound excitement and the greatest alarm. Men whispered to one another with white lips, 'Danton has been arrested." They had become accustomed to nearly every sort of injustice and outrage, but that Danton, the embodiment of the spirit of the Revolution, should be seized by the Robespierreans is a surprise and a shock to all Paris. The city and the country are obviously in their piteous clutches.

Danton and his friends undergo the pretense of trial three days. If he had had any chance for his life, he would have deprived himself of it by his aggressive, disdainful manner He pours out his scorn and detestation of those who have arraigned him. They fear him all the more that he has no fear of them, only contempt for the worst they can do. They assume to learn of a plot for the rescue of the prisoners and the overthrow of the republic, and this assumption hastens the vengeance of the tribunal. Strong as they are, Danton living is an incessant menace, and they hunger for his blood. When he hears the sentence, he exclaims "We fall victims to infamous politicians, but they will not long enjoy their triumph. Robespierre will follow me. I also could have saved him. I drag him after me!"

On the way from the Luxembourg prison to the place of execution (April 5, 1794), he has the air of a conqueror To the fickle, treacherous, savage mob which surges about the tumbrel with scoffing and insult, he shows only calm contempt. He advises Desmoulins, by his side, who appeals to them convulsively, to pay no attention to the vile rabble At thought of his young wife to loose self possession for a moment, shedding a few tears. "No weakness, Danton," he soliloquizes, "be yourself," and recovers his stoicism.

At the foot of the scaffold his precious friend, Hérault d'Echelles, leans forward to embrace him, but the executioner interferes. "What stupidity!" exclaims Danton. "You cannot prevent our heads from kissing in the basket." As he places himself under the ax to reply to the executioner "Show my head to the people, it will be worth their seeing!" And then the magic voice which for three years had guided the destinies of distracted France was forever hushed.

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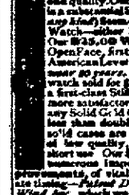

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